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TEN CENTS A WEEK

LYNCH LAW.

JIM STONE, THE RAPIST, HANGED THIS MORNING.

Ghastly Tragedy Enacted In The Midnight
Hours At Mayfield.

THE BRUTE MADE A PARTIAL CONFESSION.

But Says Fox Wilcox Committed
The Damnable Deed.

OTHER NEGROES ORDERED AWAY

Hundreds View The Mutilated
Corpse This Forenoon. A
Terrible Warning To
Evil Doers.

FULL DETAILS OF THE HORRIBLE CRIME.

Jim Stone, the Mayfield rapist, who was charged with committing an outrage on Mrs. J. M. R. Green, on November 23, at Mayfield, was lynched this morning at 12:30 o'clock in the court house yard, only a short distance from the jail.

Stone made a partial confession, which is not, however, credited by a majority of the people of Mayfield. Stone was taken back to Mayfield yesterday morning. The citizens had been expecting him for several days, and were on the alert.

It is claimed that no Mayfield people were in the mob, but that it was composed of residents of the surrounding country. The leader was a well known and desperate character, formerly a notorious kluks, according to reports.

Late in the night the mob began forming. It organized in two divisions, one between the cemetery and mill site that was recently burned, and the other on the south side of town.

As the clock struck midnight, in pursuance of a preconcerted understanding, the two divisions began their sinuous march to the court house. They surrounded the building and called for the jailer.

"We want that negro," they said to Jailer Sutherland, who resides adjacent to the jail proper.

With little reluctance the jailer replied "Wait until I get on my shoes."

"Never mind your shoes," retorted the mob leader, "give us the man."

Without further ceremony the way was lead through the dark corridors of the jail and the trembling, barefooted prisoner, who well knew his time had come, dragged from his cell. He was taken out into the moonlight and his fright was so great that he could hardly speak. Neither his hands nor his feet were tied. The mob stood sullenly by when Stone was asked if he had anything to say.

In the background were several hundred Mayfield people and citizens, who with bated breath strained their ears to catch every syllable of the condemned man's utterance.

Stone admitted that he was at Mrs. Green's residence on the night of the crime. He claimed that he went to Mayfield, but late at night started home. On his way he met "Fox Wilson," a well-known Mayfield negro, who asked him to go out in the outskirts with him.

He at first declined, but afterwards consented, and when the Green residence was reached, he said Wilson told him to wait, that he had a date with a woman inside. Wilson went in and Stone waited a short time and then left.

"How long did you wait," asked some one.

"Not very long," replied Stone.

"That's enough," yelled some one, and four or five of the vigilantes plunged knives into the terrified darkey's quivering flesh. He did not utter a sound. In the pale moonlight the ghastly scene is said to have witnessed it. The negro's endurance and stoicism were almost incredible. And the knives were thrust into him some one placed the muzzle of a pistol to his head and fired, the ball plowing into his brain.

Meanwhile two men had climbed a tree and thrown the end of the rope across the limb. Just as the pistol went off the rope was drawn up by willing hands and Jim Stone, the rapist, swung slowly to and fro in the chilly, modulated atmosphere—a corpse. He was no doubt dead before he hanged. The other end of the rope was tied to a tree and the corpse left hanging four or five feet above the ground.

The mob then tied a canvas placard to his feet bearing the following inscription:

"Let the following black scoundrels take warning: Dan Boaz, Drane, Thos. Chambers, Luther Chambers, Charles Jenkins, Harvey Johnson, John Templeton, Fine Boaz, and Dawson."

Giving orders that the body should not be cut down until noon today, the mob directed its attention to other matters. Wilson, whom Stone accused of being the real perpetrator, was sought, but could not be found.

A hackman named Press Dawson, and one or two other colored men who had been doing a great deal of talking on the streets, were also looked for, but could not be found. It is said that a large crowd of Mayfield people met the mob and endeavored to remonstrate against visiting summary vengeance on the negro, but to no avail. The men warned by the mob are all Mayfield field keepers and ex-penitentiary birds, and the community could easily spare them all. It is claimed that the men in the mob were from Pryorsburg, Hickory Grove, Dukedom, Wingo and Water Valley, but as most of them were masks, it is not known where they were from.

This morning the sawing, ghastly corpse, under which was a pool of clotted blood from scores of wounds, was viewed by hundreds of people. It was a terrible reminder of the fate of all such brutes. This forenoon it was cut down.

Stone's crime was a most revolting, a most heinous one. On the night of November 23 he went to the home of Mrs. J. M. R. Green, wife of a well known school teacher, and there outraged her. There was no one in the house at the time except her two children, and these were in another room.

The brute overpowered his helpless victim and by sheer force succeeded in his purpose, then threatening her with death if she made an outcry or attempted to give the alarm. He claimed that he was a white man, and Mrs. Green could not discern the color of her assailant, there being no other light in the room save the dim glow of the fire.

Stone was arrested the next morning, and there seems to be no doubt of his guilt. He seemed to apprehend the coming of the officers, and when he perceived their approach, begged the man for whom he was working to tell them that he spent the previous night there.

The circumstantial evidence, outside of Stone's own conflicting statements, was very strong. The assault on Mrs. Green removed his shoes when he got in the window, and after having accomplished his purpose, seems to have left in a hurry, putting his shoes under his arm and walking in his sock feet. Under Stone's arm, after he was arrested, was found the mud from his shoes, and his socks were muddy where he had walked in the dirt before putting his shoes on again. He could not account for himself on the night of the rape, and besides Marshal Walker's bloodhounds, from the Green home, leaving little doubt as to his guilt.

Stone was also suspected of several other similar crimes. Sometime since he was arrested on suspicion of being the assailant who dragged a Mrs. Ligon out and assaulted her but it could not be proven on him. He was arrested not long since for detaining a colored school teacher, and since his arrest a well known young lady of Sedalia, Graves county, revealed a story that throws some light on his diabolical character and disposition. Stone was then employed by her father, and one day the family all left home but herself. Stone was at work in the field and knew of the family's departure. He soon excused himself on the plea of sickness and started towards the house, but had always been afraid of him and intuitive hid in a thicket nearby, where she could observe his actions. He searched the entire house and then called her, and his subsequent career has indicated what his object was.

Stone was brought to Paducah on the night of his arrest for safe keeping by Sheriff Cook and his deputy. A mob, as will be remembered, came here after him, but he had been spirited away by Sheriff Holland to a place of concealment.

The following afternoon he was taken to Louisville for safe keeping, and there remained until yesterday. He was ordered back by Judge Moss and Deputy W. A. Usher passed through with him yesterday morning on the 1 o'clock train. It was thought by a great many that Stone would be accorded a fair trial, and then hanged no matter which way the case was decided.

Mayfield, Ky., Dec. 21.—The body of Jim Stone, the rapist, who was lynched this morning, is still, at 10 a. m., hanging where the mob left it.

Wife, your husband would be satisfied with a large and rock or a couch. You can find them at Cleaves & Sons.

All kinds of fancy mixed and plain candies at Caliss's.

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M'KINLEY'S TROUBLES.

Had a Friend "Palled" For
Cruelty.

It All Came From An Unsatisfac-
tory Horse Trade.

John McKinley, of Mechanicsburg, is a distant kinsman of William McKinley, the successful candidate of Canton. Unlike our president-elect, however, John is fond of trading horses.

Some time since he and E. C. Miller, also of Mechanicsburg, made a trade, but afterwards Miller claimed that he had gotten the worst of the bargain, and wanted to swap back. But John wouldn't trade back, so Miller took out a writ of delivery and with Major Harris as attorney, executed bond and recovered his horse. His attorney advised him to tender McKinley his horse back, and if he refused to take it to leave it there in his presence.

Miller took McKinley his horse back and McKinley refused to accept it. Miller tied it to the front fence, and there it remained without food or water for twenty-four hours. McKinley swore out a warrant against Miller for cruelty to animals and this morning in the police court Major Harris appeared for the defense and Attorney Lightfoot was announced to assist in the prosecution. The attorneys agreed on the facts, but Major Harris claims that his client, Miller, did not have possession of the animal, but that it was in the possession of McKinley. On this hinges the case, and as Attorney Lightfoot desires to be heard tomorrow the case was left open.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Colored Child in "Canaan" Meets
An Awful Fate.

Badly Burned to a Crisp While
The Family Was Away.

Florence May Jordan, colored, aged 3 years, whose father is employed at Kilgore's was left alone with a younger child in the house, situated in "Canaan," Mechanicsburg, Saturday night. About 5 o'clock a passer by heard screams and running inside found the child enveloped in flames. He seized a feather bed and smothered them, and when Dr. T. E. White arrived he found all the skin burned completely off from the neck to the feet. The right arm was burned to a crisp and the right ear was as brittle as glass. After three hours of intense agony the child died. The remains were buried at Oak Grove.

POLICE COURT.

Today There Were a Great
Many Cases.

A Dozen or More Tramps Turned
Loose By Judge Sanders.

Ben Curd and Ben Thomas were fined \$5 and costs in the police court this morning for being drunk and disorderly. They live in the county.

Three young merchants were charged with engaging in a mutual fight. One went to the place of business of the other to collect a bill. The other said he had no money, which evoked from the one with the bill the remark that he didn't believe he intended to pay it. A fight ensued and both were fined \$5 and costs. The third, who was only a would-be peacemaker, but got the worst of it, as usual, was let off.

Ned Hamilton, colored, was fined \$10 and costs for using insulting language towards A. Marsoffsky.

Routh Thompson was fined \$5 for using insulting language towards Susan Green.

Chas. Taylor, being black, committed the heinous crime of stabbing Mrs. Francis Meschin's dog, and then "cussing" her about it when she went over to find out why he did it. He claimed that he did none of the things charged to him, and the case was left open in order to find out who has done the false swearing.

The case against Tandy Reeves, colored, for abusing Helen Brooks, was continued.

About fifteen tramps who were taken up last night and given their breakfast this morning, were tried for vagrancy and all given orders to leave at once.

The best place in the city to find nice Christmas presents, and something that will be useful and appreciated, is at Jas. W. Cleaves & Sons.

Halt! 10, 12, 20, 25, 40 and 50 cents are the prices on Stutz's most elegant array of Xmas candies, and they are pure and delicious.

Geneva Christmas Tree. The Geneva Christmas tree will be given Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the vacant Milan building on Third street between Broadway and Court, near the "News" office. Any one knowing of children who will have no other Christmas will be doing an act of charity to send them word of this so they may come, as it is hoped that no child will be overlooked and left without a present.

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CRIMES.

A Kentucky Woman Suicides at
Baltimore.

A SAD CASE AT NEWPORT.

A Horrible Outrage Committed
In Columbus, Ind.

BIG BANK FAILURE IN CHICAGO.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 21.—A woman claiming to be Mrs. Walter Kines committed suicide last night at her hotel by blowing out her brains. The deceased had been in the city for several days and was formerly from Kentucky. Despondency over her financial condition is thought to be the cause of her act.

Found In A Well. Newport, Ky., Dec. 21.—The body of Mrs. Chas. Thompson was found this morning in a well at her home in this city. The deceased was a most estimable woman and no cause can be given for her terrible deed unless insanity. Before killing herself she tried to kill two of her children and did severely injure them.

Senator James' Condition. Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The condition of State Senator A. D. James, of Muhlenburg county, is reported to be much more favorable.

A Big Bank Failure. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—The National Bank of Illinois closed its doors today. The bank has a capital of \$1,000,000.

A Commuted Sentence. Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Gov. Turney has commuted the death sentence of John Lemmons, the celebrated Coal Creek murderer, to life imprisonment.

A WHITE FIEND.

Horrible Outrage Committed In Brown Co., Indiana. Columbus, Ind., Dec. 21.—The family of Tom Comblin in this county was grossly outraged last night during his absence from home. His wife was bound and gagged and threatened with death if she endeavored to escape. The fiend then, who was a white man bound her two daughters and outraged them. The man then escaped. A posse has been organized and is in pursuit.

MARKETS.

(Reported Daily by Lacy Grain Company.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—May wheat opened at 79 7/8 its highest point was 80 1/4 and closed at 79 3/4 s. May corn opened at 25 and closed at 25 1/4 b. May oats opened at 19 3/4, and closed at 19 3/4 s. January pork opened at \$7.60-2 b, and closed at \$7.65-7. January lard opened at \$3.82 and closed at \$3.82-5. Jan. ribs opened at \$3.85 b. March cotton opened at \$6.74 and closed at \$6.77. Jan. cotton opened at \$6.93 and closed at \$6.89-90.

CONCERT TONIGHT

At Jones' Hall For the Benefit of
Franklin School Library.

The following is the program of the concert to be given tonight at Jones' Hall for the library fund. The piano used is a Kimball loaned by Manager Sutherland.

PROGRAM.

PART I.—The Awakening of the Lion. DeKoski Mr. Charles Davis. Vocal solo. Miss Is. Hart. Violin—Sixth Air Vari. De Heriot Mr. S. Stak. Vocal solo—Past and Future. R. De Koven Mr. Owen Tully.

PART II.—Marches. Des Phantoms. Miss Hazelton and Mr. Davis. Vocal quartette—The Chimes. Holst Messrs. Beatty, Tully, Hobson and Bishop.

PART II.—Vocal solo. Miss Is. Hart. Violin—The Church Across the Way. Mr. S. Stak. Vocal solo—Ora Te Nobis. M. T. Keckonni Miss Camille Baird. Cornet—Trump, Trump, Trump. Rollinson Mr. T. Gooney. Vocal solo. Mr. Robt. Chastain.

Grand Opening and Free Barbecue. I will give a grand opening and free barbecue Christmas eve night, at my new saloon on the corner of Seventh and Adams, (Bacon's old drug store). My stock of liquors will be complete and well selected and the best to be found in the city. I desire all my friends and others to call and see me and partake of the many good things that I shall have on hand. This will be your opportunity to lay in your supply of Christmas whiskeys at very low prices. DAN SMITH.

Only three days more to buy your Christmas goods at Noah's Ark. 11

HAWKINS IN HOC.

Charged With Drawing a Chair
On His Wife.

Van Hawkins, a well-known old colored express driver, was arraigned in Judge Sanders' court this morning on a charge of drawing a chair on his wife, Ella Hawkins. He pleaded not guilty and the case was continued.

THE TOWN MARSHAL

Seems to Be In A Pretty Bad
Muss.

Will Be Tried To-Day on a Writ
of Habeas Corpus.

The Lynn gang at Brooklyn, Ill., seem to be in total eclipse. Two of them one an old white-headed man about 60 years old, were sent to Chester for twenty and fourteen years respectively a week or two ago.

Today Phil Lynn, town marshal of Brooklyn, is to be tried at Mound City, Pulaski county, on a writ of habeas corpus for trial.

The town marshal killed Miles Bradshaw, alias Lightning bug, last summer, and was released on bond until the grand jury convened at Metropolis. He was then indicted for wilful murder and committed to jail without bond. He secured a change of venue to Pulaski county and today will attempt to get bail. The old grey-headed man who was sent up for twenty years, Bart Lynn, is the town marshal's father.

The colored woman with whom Lightning Bug was living, and who claimed to be his wife, swore before the grand jury that the town marshal was on unduly intimate terms with her and swore to kill "Lightning Bug" the first time he saw him to get rid of the latter. This evidence, in the opinion of many, will convict Lynn.

The council at Brooklyn appropriated \$50 Saturday to help defend Lynn.

COUNCIL MEETING.

A Matter of Importance That May
Come Up.

It is to be hoped that the city council at its meeting tonight will have the proposition which is being suspiciously pushed by certain persons, made public in all details.

The evening "News" would create the idea that the present council has been negligent in the matter of street repairs, while it is a well known fact that the streets of Paducah have never been so well cared for as under the present council.

The people of Paducah want the streets taken care of in the best way, but the anxiety of an evening paper to be suspicious. The people do not want politics brought into street management.

A SURPRISE.

A Man Who Didn't Know He Had
A Gun.

Mr. C. B. Lescher was warranted today for carrying concealed a deadly weapon. He and one or two other gentlemen had a difficulty on lower Court street last night. Warrants had been issued against them all, and the case will be investigated tomorrow before Judge Sanders.

Mr. Lescher and one of the other men had a difficulty over a horse. The latter claims that he owns no pistol and has none, and that he did not know there was one in his pocket. When the city hall was reached, however, a pistol was found in his pocket.

CHRISTMAS DONATION.

Bernheim Bros. Send 1,200
Bushels of Coal.

The Campbell-Mulvihill Coal Co. today received an order from Bernheim Bros., of Louisville, to give 1,200 bushels of coal to the poor. This is in accordance with the annual custom of the benevolent Bernheim Bros., who will ever be remembered by the poor of Paducah.

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Buy your fruits in baskets or bulk at Caliss's. Receive same fresh every day. 21 4t

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for useless Hol'day Gifts when the Oak Hall has hundreds
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that would make acceptable Christmas presents.

Holiday Overcoats

10 per cent. off.

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Collars and Cuffs,
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MONDAY, DEC. 21, 1896.

THE I. C. SHOPS.

There seems to be a great deal of
unpleasantness in this city
over the Illinois Central shops. No
statement has ever been made by the
I. C. officials that there is even such a
thing possible and no move has
been made by them that can give any
reasonable probability that such a
change may be made, as the removal
of those shops from Paducah.

The I. C. has been reducing ex-
penses here, but a reduction has not
been made here alone. When the I.
C. purchased the C. O. & S. W. R.
R., a reduction of force occurred
here. But there was nothing strange
in that. One reason for buying the
road was that its absorption into the
great I. C. system would enable the
road to be run with less expense and
with fewer men in certain places.
The combination of two grocery
stores would result in the discharge
of a few clerks, or other employees.
Then came a three days' shut down
beginning Thanksgiving Day; this
shut down extended over the entire
I. C. system. After that a number
of men were laid off here. But more
men were laid off in the Louisville
shops in proportion to the number em-
ployed than were laid off here. The
reduction of force also took place in
every shop in the system except in
those shops where accumulated work
would not admit of it. Finally there
has come an order for the reduction of
the working hours per week. The
order that came to these shops here
in Paducah was also sent to every
one of the shops on the whole I. C.
system.

The object of this article is not to
defend the Illinois Central Railroad
Company; that vast system is
abundantly able to take care of it-
self. But it is written for the pur-
pose of demonstrating to the people
of Paducah that the various reduc-
tions of force and in time that have
been made at the shops, absolutely
fail to prove a single thing as to the
removal of the I. C. shops from this
city. It will be seen that the shops
in this city have fared in exactly the
same way that shops at other points
have.

In only one point has a reduction
been made at the shops here that is
permanent. The removal of the
coach work from these shops is
probably a permanent feature. But
in that particular the shops here
have been treated like other shops.
The I. C. has built at Chicago shops
especially for coach work at a cost of
half a million of dollars. The coach
work from all the shops on their
whole system has been transferred to
Chicago, except the Vicksburg shops.
On account of the distance from
Chicago and from the fact that the
Vicksburg shops are especially well
equipped for coach work, consider-
able work is yet done at the latter
shops.

When the Illinois Central pur-
chased the Cairo Short Line all the
coach work from the St. Louis shops
was removed to Chicago. In other
respects the work at the St. Louis
shops has not been lessened, and
there is no intention of moving the
shops from St. Louis. It will thus
be seen that the change of the
coach work argues nothing
to the probable removal of the
shops from this city.

We believe also that people as a
rule are disposed to judge railroads
by a different rule than they do other
corporations. Railroad companies
are made up of hundreds and in
some cases of thousands of stock-
holders; owning anywhere from one hun-
dred dollars to a million dollars
of stock each. It is the ex-
treme end of the stockholders that

that a receiver be appointed. The
large number of railroads that have
been and now are in the hands
of receivers shows how many
roads have failed to pay dividends.
In order to meet their dividends, and
an annual dividend of six or seven
per cent is considered large, the
company is compelled to keep its ex-
penses down to the lowest notch.
Hard times effect railroads as well as
individuals. They make their money
out of passenger fares and freights.
Every time a man or a family curtails
its expenses by buying less food or
clothing, that little act of economy
effects some railroad. Whenever a
visiting tour is given up on account
of expense or for any other reason,
so the railroad loses just exactly the
amount of the railroad fares that the
trip would have cost. If a factor
shuts down the railroad loses imme-
diately the work of shipping the out-
put of that factory, and of hauling
raw material to it. A railroad has
no means of earning money except
as people travel or ship goods.
Therefore when the earnings are de-
creased, expenses must be reduced,
in just the same way as when a fa-
ctory begins to lose it must curtail ex-
penses or shut down.

Competition also affects railroads
like any other business. The I. C.
did, during the month of October, the
heaviest business in all its history,
but it also received a lower freight
rate than ever before. An increase
of business does not mean an in-
crease of earnings necessarily now-
adays. The big systems are buying
the small roads not that they may
get a monopoly of business, but that
they may be able to compete with
some other large system. Competi-
tion means in railroading as in manu-
facturing, a reduction of expenses,
cheaper freight rates, better shipping
facilities and eventually cheaper
groceries, household furnishings,
clothing, etc.

As has already been said, this ar-
ticle is not written to defend the I.
C. system. But simply to show that
nothing has yet been done to give
any cause for alarm as to the re-
moval of the shops, and that rail-
roads must make their money just as
any other legitimate business does
and that other companies besides
railroads reduce expenses by laying
off men or reducing the number of
working hours; though railroads
never close business entirely as many
big concerns do; for example, coal
mines, rolling mills and factories.
The writer sympathizes with any man
who has been laid off. He knows
all about it himself. He knows how
long the days are and how precious
the few dollars left are, to a man
without a chance to earn an honest
livelihood. But he knows that these
misfortunes are liable to come to all
men alike, and he knows that it is a
long road that has no turn.

Times are getting better, even if
the I. C. system is reducing its
force. Thousands and thousands of
men are employed today who a few
weeks ago were standing face to face
with hunger and cold. This Christ-
mas is a joyous one to thousands of
homes, made happy by the events of
the past few weeks. To others this
Christmas will be one of sorrow and
impatience. But the country cannot
recreate in a day. The spread of
prosperity is gradual. Each new day
makes some honest man glad, and
brings sunshine to his family.
Every time a furnace blows in or a
factory resumes it makes business for
some railroad. The throbs of pros-
perity will in a few months be felt
along the whole length of the Illinois
Central system and the vacant
benches and forges at the shops in
Paducah will be filled with men
working full time.

MOB LAW.

Another lynching has been added
to Kentucky's already crowded list
of deaths at the hands of mobs.
Jim Stone the rapist, is dead. A
crime unpardonable in civilized
countries, horrible and revolting in
its execution and details, has met a
just punishment. Death is a judg-
ment altogether too light to expiate
the diabolical deed of the fiend who
met death this morning at Mayfield.
The confession of the doomed man
when he saw death staring him in the
face proved that in this instance no
innocent man was to be ushered into
eternity. The mob that did the work
was cool, determined and orderly, so
we are told. It was a tribunal from
whose judgment there was no appeal.
But it is right to put a man to
death without a trial. It used to be
in the South he that only colored men
were lynched and that rape was the
only crime thus punished. Now
white men are thus put to death and
other crimes but rape are thus pun-
ished. In other words mob law is
increasing; human life is becoming
cheaper; the old time right of
a fair trial is being ignored.
Mob law is the most demoralizing of
influences. It arouses all the brute
there is in the nature of the man par-
ticipating in the mob's work. It
accustoms people to murder, for

the death of the hands of a mob.
time a mob the law out
hands of a mob it just to

the very end that the mob desired to
secure—a decrease in crime. Crime
is punished by crime. The people
are taught to depreciate and to ignore
the courts.
Mob law is criminal; it is a retro-
gression to the barbarous methods of
uncivilized times. The good people
of this state are doing themselves
injustice in not using the weight of
their influence against this barbarous
and criminal method of vindicating
justice.

There is nothing so good for the
coughs and colds of the children and
babies as Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey.
It cures croup, whooping cough, cold
in the head and gives sweet, refresh-
ing sleep. It is pleasantly sweet to
the taste. Any child will take it and
ask for more. Good druggists sell it.
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Walker.

A KENTUCKY RABBIT HUNT.

All Sorts of Costumes and Horses
Are Used.

A Sturdy Disregard of All Considera-
tions of Form—Riding Crops Are
Never Used, But Whips Are
Carried.

The men are dressed as they please,
the ladies as they please. English
blood gets expression, as usual, in in-
dependence absolute. There is a sturdy
disregard of all considerations of form.
Some men wear leggings, some high
boots; a few have brown shooting-coats.
Most of them ride with the heel low
and the toes turned according to tem-
perament. The southern woman's long
riding-skirt has happily been laid aside.
These young Dianas wear the usual
habit; only the hat is a derby, a cap,
sometimes a beaver with a white veil,
or a tam-o'-shanter that has slipped
down behind and left a frank bare head
of shining hair. They hold the reins in
either hand, and not a crop is to be
seen. There are plenty of riding-whips,
however, and sometimes one runs up
the back of some girl's right arm; for
that is the old-fashioned position for
the whip when riding in form. On a
trip like this, however, everybody rides
to please his fancy, and rides anywhere
but off his horse.

The men are sturdy country youths,
who in a few years will make good
types of the beef-eating young English
squire—sunburned fellows with big
frames, open faces, fearless eyes, and a
manner that is easy, cordial, kindly, in-
dependent. The girls are midway be-
tween the types of brunette and blond,
with a leaning towards the latter type.
The extreme brunette is as rare as the
unusually blond, whom Oliver Wendell
Holmes differentiates from her dazzling
sister with locks that have caught the
light of the sun. Radiant with freshness
these girls are, and with good health and
strength, round of figure, clear of eye
and skin, spirited, soft of voice and
slow of speech.

There is one man on a sorrel mare.
He is the host back at the big farm-
house, and he has given up every horse
he has to guests. One of the girls has
a broad white girl running all the
way around both horse and saddle. Her
habit is the most stylish in the field;
she has lived a year in Washington,
perhaps, and has had a finishing touch
at a fashionable school in New York.
Next to her is a young fellow on a black
thoroughbred—a graduate, perhaps, of
Yale or Princeton. They rarely put on
airs, couples like these, when they
come back home, but drop quietly into
their old places with friends and kin-
dred. From respect to local prejudice,
which has a hearty contempt for any-
thing that is not carried for actual use,
she has left her riding-crop at home.
He has left his crinkled black hair grow
rather long, and has covered it with a
black slouch hat.

Contact with the outer world has made
a difference, however, and it is enough
to create a strong bond of sympathy
between these two, and to cause trouble
between country-bred Phyllis, a plump,
dark-eyed, bare-headed girl, who rides
a pony that is trained to the hunt, as
many of the horses are, and young
Farmer Corydon, who is near her on
an iron-gray. Indeed, mischief is brew-
ing among those four. At a brisk walk
the line moves across the field, the cap-
tain at each end yelling to the men—
only the men, for no woman is ever
anywhere but where she ought to be
in a southern hunting-field—to keep it
straight.

"Phyllis shouts the captain with the
mighty voice, 'I fine you ten dollars.'
The slouch hat and the white girl are
lagging behind. It is a lovers' quarrel,
and the girl looks a little flushed,
while Phyllis watches, smiling. 'Just
you can compromise with me,' adds
the captain, and a jolly laugh runs
down the line. Now comes a 'rebel
yell.' Somewhere along the line a
horse leaps forward. Other horses
follow, too, everybody yelling, and every-
body's eye is on a little bunch of cotton
that is being whisked with astonishing
speed through the brown weeds. There
is a massing of horses close behind it;
the white girl flashes in the midst of
the melee, and the slouch hat is just be-
hind. The bunch of cotton turns sud-
denly, and doubles back between the
horses' feet. There is a great crash,
and much turning, twisting and sawing
of bits. Then the crowd dashes the
other way, with Corydon and Phyllis
in the lead. The fun has just begun.—
John Fox, Jr., in Century.

Drinking Rain Drops.
The interesting doings and peculiari-
ties of the young king-bird, kept a cap-
tive, are thus described: The king-
bird lives on insects, which it generally
captures on the wing, and the young
bird that Mr. Bumpus experimented
with caught falling drops of water by
striking at them with its beak, but could
not be induced to drink from a dish after
the manner of a chicken. This leads
Mr. Bumpus to suggest that king-birds
may be in the habit of quenching their
thirst by seizing falling drops of rain.
—Science.

CONNOISSEUR'S MISTAKE.

Smoked Half a Pipe of Birdseed Without
Discovering His Error.
Because of a little mistake of his
wife's a well-known up-town lawyer,
who has long prided himself upon his
delicate taste in the matter of smok-
ing tobacco, feels several sizes too small
to fill his own clothes just at present.
It was one of his hobbies to keep his
choicest brands in an old cigar box,
besprinkled with good brandy to keep
the tobacco moist and to improve the
flavor.
Not long ago the lawyer invited three
old cronies to visit his home and while
away an evening with the company of
their pipes. In honor of the occasion
the host produced his finest tobacco and
invited his friends to help themselves.
The pipes were lighted and with the
first puffs of smoke came an odor too
horrible to be described. The wife of
the distinguished member of the bar
had been upstairs, instituted a

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search for burning rags, in the course
of which she entered the room where
the smoker was in progress.

"Do you smell that terrible stench?"
she asked, addressing her husband.
"Yes," answered the chorus of three
white-faced visitors, laying aside their
pipes. But her spouse smoked calmly
on in evident enjoyment, and suggested
that, although he didn't smell anything
unusual, perhaps the cook was burn-
ing fat in the kitchen range. It was not
long, however, before the odor was
traced to the tobacco smoked by the
host and his three guests.

"Did you get that tobacco out of the
cigar box on the library table?" asked
the lawyer's wife.
"Yes,"

"Well, that's too bad. I thought that
box was empty and I've been throwing
waste birdseed in there every time I
clean Bobby's cage. Maybe that's what
smells so unpleasant."

And the laugh was on the lawyer—
the connoisseur who had smoked half
a pipeful without discovering that any-
thing was wrong.—Philadelphia Rec-
ord

Oyster Sauce.
Oyster sauce is a desirable accessory
of many dishes of meat, and may be
either white or brown. White oyster
sauce is made as follows: Put the oys-
ters in a saucepan, and cook for five
minutes; drain them and place in a basin
marie, having reserved their juice in a
bowl. Then put four ounces of butter
into a saucepan, with two ounces of
flour, a little cayenne pepper and salt.
Stir these well together, while moisten-
ing with the oyster juice and some rich
cream. Stir the sauce on the fire, keep-
ing it boiling for ten minutes, and then
pass it through a tammy on the oysters,
which have been kept hot in the basin
marie. Brown oyster sauce is prepared
in the same way, only instead of cream
substitute an equal quantity of brown
gravy. This sauce goes particularly
well with a beefsteak pie, broiled steaks
of codfish and various plain meat
dishes.—Boston Budget.

—Liberia does not cut a very impos-
ing figure among the nations, neverthe-
less, has a president, Mr. J. J. Chese-
man, whose term of office began Janu-
ary 2, 1892.

MILLIONS OF BUTTONS.

A Man of Figures Makes Some Calcula-
tions on the Subject.

We live in an age of buttons. The
people of the British Isles unbutton 40-
900,000 buttons every night when they
prepare for bed, and in that moment of
repose the same number, unless a few
millions have been lost in the struggle.
The world has become so accustomed
to buttons that it has forgotten that
there was ever a time when buttons
were unknown. It is safe to say that
90 out of every 100, if asked to name the
date of the first button, would antici-
pate the actual date by several cen-
turies. In the fourteenth century there
were buttons—but no button holes. It
was purely ornamental, lacking a but-
ton hole, and the question voluntarily
solves how our ancestors were estab-
lished. In that year the famous Soho
works were opened at Birmingham,
where steel buttons were made of such
beauty and finish as to command a price
of £140 a gross, or one pound apiece.

In these modern days we are apt to
boast that this is an age of paper, point-
ing at the same time to paper wheels,
paper boots, paper carpets and the
thousand and one novel uses made of
this material, as proof of our assertion.
It is a curious fact that as far back as
1784 we find mention of paper buttons
—London Times.

The Corn-Fed Philosopher.

"I like to see a young man have a
proper amount of self-respect," said
the corn-fed philosopher, "but the
trouble with the average youth is that
he carries it to the point of adoration."
—Indianapolis Journal.

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Stock-Taking to begin Monday after
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All Carpets and Remnants of Car-
peting and all Mattings and Flour
Cloths will be put on sale Monday at
less than cost of manufacturing.
All Novelty Dress Patterns left will
be sold at astonishingly low prices.
Why not buy a nice dress for your
mother, mother-in-law, sister and sis-
ter-in-law, while you can save enough
in the price to buy the linings and
trimmings.

27 in. black satin, for skirts, 85c.,
former price \$1.25.
24 in. black satin, for skirts, 62c.,
former price \$1.00.
22 in. black tulle silk, 85c., former
price, \$1.10.
22 in. black tulle silk, 55c., former
price \$1.00.
22 in. plain and fancy bengaline,
50c., former price \$1.00.
Extra line of silk and velvet at
prices to close.
25 pieces real torchon laces, 5c.,
former price 8c to 12c.
15 pieces fine torchon laces, 13c.,
former price 25c to 35c.
All Vails, Orientals, Silks and Pil-
low Slip Laces at cost and less.
10 doz. white laundered shirts 42c.,
former price 75c.
5 doz. white laundered shirts, 56c.,
former price 85c.
4 doz. white laundered shirts, 79c.,
former price \$1.00.
15 doz. white unlaundried shirts,
38c., former price, 50c.,
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42c., former price 65c.
A large broken lot of men's Under-
wear, ask to see them.
We have some capes in Plush and
Cloth at unheard of prices, look at
our Jackets and children's wraps.
The prices named on mattings and
carpets should close the entire line in
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delay) and experience this relief. Shop-
ping with elbow-ache your ribs and boot
heel on your best dress are discomforts to
be shunned, shun them this Christmas. Don't
put off your purchasing until the last day
because the selection will then not be com-
plete, and if you possibly can get out, do
your shopping in the early morning.

Capas and Jackets.

Our entire stock of Ladies' and Children's
Cloaks will be offered at cost. We will give
you January prices now, offering a most
exceptional chance to buy a fine article,
tailor made garment at a great reduction.

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Whatever may be said of these offerings
the fact cannot be told. It is a golden op-
portunity to buy a most desirable Christmas
present for very little money. The styles
are excellent, being new goods and the
prices are most reasonable.

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There is nothing more appropriate for a
lady than a Feather Boa. Why? Because
it is becoming to every body. Because it is
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Are always acceptable Christmas presents.
Why? Because every one needs them. We
are showing the prettiest and best 50-cent
embroidered handkerchiefs on earth. We
have all the newest ideas and better values
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50c.—Ladies' white embroidered H. S.
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Ladies' Cashmere Gloves, 50c. and 50c.
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to 50 cents.
Children's Kid Mitts 40c. and 50c.
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to \$2.00 per pair.
Gents' and Boys' Scotch wool gloves at
25c. and 50c.

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Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Hosiery,
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etian Vases, Photo Frames, Paper Kites,
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Christmas Presents for Everybody.

What to buy, where to go, and how much to pay, puzzles the whole world just now. We are in a position to solve all these problems for you; for careful and thoughtful buying on our part, has brought together a great holiday stock which must be disposed of. Make this store the basis of holiday supplies and see how satisfactory you will be served.

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You can find here all the newest silks, satins and brocades for either waists or dresses—lovely gifts for the women folk.

Changeable taffetas in newest color combinations for 75c and 85c the yard.

Really elegant black Duchess satin, 27 inches wide, for 75c.

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Satin striped, delicate shades in evening taffetas for 75c, reduced from \$1.25.

A Doll Bazaar.

Is going on in our children's corner. Baby eyes snap and girlish hearts grow glad at a glimpse of our dolls.

Jointed dolls, with pretty faces and curly hair, for 10c.

Bisque head dolls, that open and shut their eyes, for 25c.

Bisque head dolls in sailor costumes, for 25c.

Silky-haired, jointed bodied, bisque head dolls, prettily dressed, for 49c each.

A Revelation in Handkerchief Selling.

This is our prize department, where all that is newest, best and prettiest is displayed, at prices that will spare your purse.

Children's school handkerchiefs, with neat printed borders at 25c the dozen.

Men's hemstitched lawn handkerchiefs, good size and quality, 5 cents each.

Men's all linen hemstitched handkerchiefs at 15c and 25c.

Ladies' linen cambric handkerchiefs, hemstitched, embroidered and real lace edged, for 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, to \$1.00.

We will stamp initials on all linen handkerchiefs bought before Christmas free of charge.

Gloves the Correct Gift.

We ask consideration for our holiday line of gloves for men, women and children.

Serviceable dog-skin gloves for men for 50 cents.

Men's one-clasp kid gloves, in all the popular shades, for \$1 the pair.

Stylish red, brown, tan and green shades, in ladies' heavy stitched kid gloves for \$1.00 the pair.

Misses five-hook kid gloves at \$1 the pair.

Umbrellas.

A special line of superior styles as a particular help to those who can't think what to buy for Christmas.

25 inch fast black sateen umbrellas with steel rods for 75c.

Congo handles steel rod, gloria silk umbrellas for 85c.

Sterling silver mounted handles, heavy English gloria silk umbrellas for \$1.39.

The Cloak Trade.

We propose to have a brisk cloak trade from to-day until Christmas if it is a price possibility, for we will sell the choice of every garment in the jacket department for the uniform price of \$7.50. This includes many handsome wraps worth twice the amount. Also offer you choice of any plush cape in our stock for \$10.

Holiday Fancies.

Pretty leather belts with fancy buckles for 15c.

Nice black Coney Knives at 49c.

Sterling silver muffs for 45c and 69c.

All wool serges, navy blue and black, for 25c.

Side combs at 5c and 10c the pair.

Neat pearl shirt waist sets at 25c.

Sterling silver scissors at \$1.49.

White and gray fur rugs at \$1.89.

Men's stylish track suits at 25c.

Coney feather hose, 58c and 98c.

Hemstitched damask towels 25c.

Black coney and gray hair muffs at \$1.00.

Leather card cases and purses combined, 25c and 39c.

Sterling silver mounted purses 49c.

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Special Pension Agent Hartwell Moved to Hopkinsville.

Mr. James H. Hartwell, special government pension agent, who has been located in Paducah for the past year, has been ordered to Hopkinsville and will hereafter make that place his headquarters.

He is still here, however, winding up his business preparatory to leaving.

Do not forget that J. W. Long & Bro's new furniture store, 203 and 205 South Third Street, will sell you furniture cheaper than any house in the city on long easy payments.

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You can select your gentleman friends a Xmas present from Scott Hardware Co.'s elegant line of razors.

Immense crowds are seen daily at Noah's Ark buying Xmas presents.

The Chaffin Dish is quite the fad. See the beautiful patterns at the Scott Hardware Co.

We offer you fine bargains in un-redeemed pledges.

B. MICHAEL, JR., 103 S. 2nd St.

The crowds flocking to VanCulin Bros., daily for holiday goods is a demonstration of the fact that the people appreciate good values and a large assortment to select from.

Everyone—the rich and poor alike—are invited to inspect DuBois & Co.'s bargains in toys.

Papa, buy me one of those pocket knives for a Xmas present at the Scott Hardware Co.

Boarding and Rooms For Rent. Convenient to business; all kinds of sewing done. Call at 221 North Third Street.

Have your watches and clocks repaired by Warren, 103 S. 2d. 1w

A genuine amber stem French briar pipe in Morocco case is a nice Christmas present for gentlemen. See the assortment at VanCulin Bros.

For Rent. Front room with board. Apply to Mrs. Jennie Hall, corner Eighth and Jefferson.

One of those nice tool chests at the Scott Hardware Co. is a profitable present for your boy.

Open House. The Young Men's Christian Association will keep "open house" on New Year's day, in accordance with the custom long observed in large cities. There will be music, refreshments, and at some time in the day perhaps an entertaining rendition of suitable program. Secretary Schaad will spare nothing to make it one of the most enjoyable events on the annals of the association. Give him your co-operation.

Plain figures on everything at DuBois & Co.'s, and figures that tell whether they are cheap or not.

Although rushed with customers, we have a large force of sales ladies and won't keep you waiting. Noah's Ark. 21 4t

VanCulin Bros. for fireworks.

What lady would not appreciate a nice set of knives and forks bought at the Scott Hardware Co.

Everything in fireworks from a penny bomb to a mammoth cannon cracker at VanCulin Bros.

For Sale On Five Years' Time. Two lots on North Seventh street each 50x100 feet to an alley, finest residence property in the city. One-third cash, balance on 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years, with 6 per cent. Will take suburban city property in part payment. Liberal discount for all cash. J. W. GLEANEY & SONS.

Christmas Tree. The lady boarders at the Palmer House are preparing to give a Christmas tree for the benefit of the poor children on Christmas eve in one of the rooms of the hotel. Mrs. Clara Warneken, Miss Emma Reed and others, are the originators of the benevolent plan, and many little men and misses who would otherwise spend a very cheerless Christmas, will be made happy as a result of their commendable work.

Biggest line of fireworks and at lowest prices of any house in the city at VanCulin Bros.

Although we are having a rushing business we have piles of goods left for you to select from. Noah's Ark. 21 4t

Fireworks! fireworks!! at VanCulin Bros.

You want an original present that is ornamental and useful? See Scott Hardware Co.'s elegant line of Indian baskets.

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Flour from \$3.75 to \$5.25 per bbl.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Judge Caswell Bennett is visiting friends here.

Col. Henry Rankin went up to Crivert City today on a hunt.

Col. Billy Parham went up to Carbondale this morning.

A child of John Lehrer is recovering from appendicitis.

Mr. Henry Rehkopf returned today from Louisville.

Mr. Thos. E. Barnes, merchant, of Benton, is in the city today.

Col. H. H. Hobson went down to Mayfield this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gleaves are parents of a fine boy, born yesterday.

Miss Kate Jewett left at noon for Clinton to spend the holidays.

Ben Moor and Joe Sebrer left this afternoon for Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The Schumann Ladies Orchestra arrived this morning from Mayfield.

Mr. Clifford Ezell, a prominent young man of Mayfield, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schueck are parents of a boy baby, born last night.

Miss Jesse White, of Nashville, is here to attend the McMahon-Meyers wedding.

Mr. N. J. Dillard left last night for Washington and New York on business.

Mrs. Fred Long left today for Dyersburg on a visit. Mr. Long leaves tonight for Louisville.

Mrs. F. M. Houser, Miss Sue Nelson and Mrs. Will Gray left at noon for Chicago on a visit.

Mr. King Brooks has returned from the Chicago school of dentistry to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meyers, of Princeton, were guests of Col. John Sinnott and wife yesterday.

Mr. Jas. F. Surratt, the jeweler, has gone to Steubenville, Ohio, to open up a jewelry establishment.

Miss Lizzie O'Keefe will leave tomorrow for Memphis, where she will spend the Christmas holidays.

Ed Schraeder, who had his leg amputated recently at the Brooks Infirmary, is rapidly recovering.

Hughes McKnight and Willie Minnick are here from Centre College, Danville, to spend the holidays.

Mr. Sam Quisenberry and bride, (nee Thomas), have returned from their trip to New Orleans.

Mock Bailey, the hustling baggage man is now with Willet they will run a general transfer business.

Mr. Adolph Levy, Misses N. M. and Ella Uri and Mr. Walter Levy, of Louisville, are guests of Mrs. A. Levy.

Leo Haug, the little fellow who had his leg cut off at the knee and later at the hip, has about recovered from the severe operation.

Indications Are For A Happy, Joyful Christmas.

The Star of Bethlehem, in its superlative beauty, never shown on the world when it had more occasion to rejoice than at this Christmas season.

Confidence is restored, manufacturers are running in full blast, laborers are busy, and barring a few discontented politicians, the country is happy, prosperous and contented. Especially is there occasion for rejoicing in Paducah, for the large house of VanCulin Bros. have called the choicest, rarest and most beautiful Christmas presents, at prices never before offered in Paducah. We intend to make a clean sweep of everything in Christmas goods. You have only a few more days left to make selections, so early and take advantage of our unequalled offerings.

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FULL SETTLEMENT.

The Late Marshal Geary's Business Wound Up.

Marshal Collins today made a complete and full settlement with Mrs. James Geary, wife of the late Marshal Geary, which winds up the latter's business in toto.

Lee Harris Gets Out Only to Go In Again.

Lee Harris, colored, was released from the county jail this morning, after being imprisoned for several weeks on a charge of robbery.

This afternoon he was arrested by Officers Cross and Johnson on an old charge of gaming, committed over a year ago. Harris was arrested at the time, but escaped. He was locked up to await trial this morning.

Don't forget the place, for it is Stutz. Yes, that's the place to get your candies, fruits, nuts and cakes. Telephone, 293.

Four floors filled with Xmas furniture and novelties, at Gleaves & Sons.

For Obstructing the Sidewalks. Street Inspector Cosby today swore out several warrants against merchants for obstructing the sidewalks with large piles of goods boxes. The cases will be tried in the police court tomorrow.

HOT AFTER 'EM.

Grand Jury After Disreputable Resorts.

Returned A Batch of Indictments Today—Other Cases Investigated.

The grand jury is making it rather torrid for houses of bad repute, both public and private, and incidentally they say they will warm up some of the police officers.

Today they are investigating several resorts of a private nature. Six of the police officers, according to some of the grand jurors, were summoned to testify in regard to the reputation of a woman who has been notorious in Paducah for the past fifteen or twenty years, and claimed that they didn't know what her reputation was. The officers were not called upon to state the woman's character, but her reputation, and what will be done in the matter has not yet been decided, although it will probably be dropped.

The following were indicted today on charges of keeping bawdy houses: Fannie Hart, Pearl Wilson, Florence Patton, Mallie Grooms, Ida French, Frankie Dixon, Vic Ballowe, Edna Bennett and Mollie Neif.

FISCAL COURT

Met In Called Session This Morning.

The Gravel Road Question To Be Taken Up.

Fiscal court convened today in called session, Judge Thomas presiding. All the magistrates were in attendance.

Settlement was made with Sheriff Holland, and the salaries of all county officers were allowed.

The court dined with Justice Tully, and this afternoon the gravel road question will come up.

Circuit Court.

The case against Dr. Reuben Burrow, charged with wilful murder, was continued until the next term of the court.

Jeff Elrod and Will Cook were fined \$20 and costs for gaming.

The case of Robt. Cochran against Paducah Land, Coal and Iron company was continued until Thursday.

A demurrer was sustained to the petition of the Lineham Transfer Company vs. Sheriff Holland, enjoining the collection of taxes.

SUIT FILED.

Mr. J. V. Grief, administrator of Ike Cohen, the assigned pawnbroker, today filed suit against the creditors to wind up the business of the concern and settle the estate.

CENTRAL COMMITTEEMEN

To be Elected by the Democrats Tomorrow.

The Democratic congressional committee meets tomorrow to elect a successor to Mr. W. P. Gatlin, of Murray, the central committeeman who recently resigned.

Dr. Lutten, of Fulton, and Mr. Schuuke, of Lyon, are the candidates.

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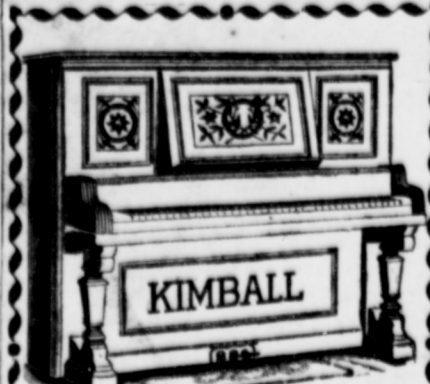
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CHICAGO.

The Place for Charity.

This is a funny world. If those people who are clamoring for Uncle Sam to take a hand in the Cuban muddle "for humanity's sake" are so anxious to do good in this direction, and help unfortunate humanity they can find plenty of good material right here at home to begin on. No body would undertake to deny that humanity needs assistance wherever it may be, and nobody could consistently dispute that to stop Cuban hostilities would be a boon to humanity. Yet humanity, or a part thereof, is just as imperatively in need of help over here in our own country as it is in Cuba.

A visit to the Mayor's office or the county judge's office, or at the headquarters of any local benevolent institution would amply convince anyone of this. There, at all times of the day, sick and destitute men; women with no homes and few clothes, and scarcely anything else except from one to half a dozen fatherless children; strangers without money and without a place to go, apply for aid, and sad to say, many times these are turned away not because our officials want to do it, but because the laws which govern them do not justify them in many cases in lending the desired relief. Humanity in distress is always worthy of sympathy and assistance, but why turn a pitying eye towards Cuba, and overlook the suffering right at your door.

MALIGNANT FRUGALITY.

It Takes Various Forms in All Grades of Society.

There is some frugality that is only negatively wasteful, as when we spend ten cents' worth of time in trying to disentangle two miles' worth of string, or when we spend five dollars' worth of mental peace in worrying over a 15-cent loss, or when we deprive ourselves of a night's rest (cheap at ten dollars) in caring about something which has already happened or which we cannot rectify, or something which has not yet happened and never, perhaps, will.

A lady of mature years, whom the writer has the honor to know, having a religious horror of waste, saves up all the pasteboard boxes which come from the milliner, and the dressmaker, and the shoemaker, and the tailor, of assorted sizes, going down, even to match boxes; and as a result when every shelf and closet is full, and there is something that really ought to be saved, there is no place for it. But this excellent lady might, perhaps, reply: "Is not space unlimited?" "Well," we should say, "philosophically, space is infinite, but practically, in its relation to us, it is limited by the dimensions of one's room, one's house, one's attic, one's yard." But these economies are simply negatively wasteful, and may be likened to the strength of the body and sometimes get in the way and interfere with our personal convenience and often with our attractiveness.

There is another kind of thrift which is positively wasteful. Here is something left over at dinner which is hardly worth putting away; it may not be very good by to-morrow, so, to avoid its being wasted, we eat it. We had eaten enough before; that addition didn't make the stomach beyond natural bounds, makes more discomfort, perhaps brings on stupidity, or dyspepsia, or headache, or insomnia. Who was that sage who said: "The worst place to throw away anything is inside of us?" Probably it was this insatiable desire for saving which gave rise to the rule which used to prevail in many families, that the children must eat everything that was set before them. I have heard an elderly man say that in his childhood one of the parental precepts which constituted the chief of table morals was: "My son, clear your plate." And if there was anything that the child

particularly hated he was helped to that somewhat liberally. Just as though nature were a fool, and as though the craving or the repugnance of the stomach had no meaning, or, rather, were to be treated by contraries. Let us hope that we have fallen upon better times.

Here is a patient who has just turned the corner into convalescence; his appetite is slight and fiftly; his stomach is very sensitive and can bear little. The nurse, who is all heart and tenderness, is feeding him. He has just enough, but there is a spoonful or two left over; we must not waste it; let us give it to the patient; and so his poor stomach is overtaxed, his fiftly appetite revolts; the spoonful or two that is "saved" has done him all the harm his most malignant enemy could desire, and perhaps has turned the balance the wrong way.

Another excellent lady, whose moral character is unimpeachable, whose years are venerable, writes a very minute hand, and in her letters she puts her lines, carefully close together, and fills up every unoccupied space, and then very likely crosses her letters or writes between the lines. She does not save any postage, for our government kindly carries from four to six large sheets of paper and an envelope for two cents; but it is not worth saving, for so cheap it is not worth saving. But it is possible that she may save five cents a year, at the expense of her own eyes and the eyes of her friends, to say nothing of the headaches of her correspondents, and the loss of temper and the stumbling-blocks in the way of their going to Heaven.

We have spoken of ladies, and perhaps this malignant frugality is extraordinarily developed in the Heaven-deserving sex, but it was a man, perhaps a New Englander, who, when any portion of a dinner was unused, took it himself so that it might not be wasted; it was a man—a druggist—mentioned by Mr. Gough, who, when he had a little of any drug left over, would put it into a demijohn, which he had signed as a receipt for such odd lots, and when a patient came with a complication of disorders he would administer a portion from this euphemistic of pharmacopoeia, believing that certainly something here might hit his case.

This malignant frugality is as though one were to say: "Here is a little kerosene left over; we must not waste it; let us throw it into the fire." Or: "Here is a little gunpowder, too little to put away; let us put it into the range." "Here is some infected clothing; we must not waste it; we do not want to wear it; let us send it to the hospital or give it to the poor." "Here is an old razor; we cannot sell it; let us give it to the baby to play with."—Philadelphia Press.

Sharp-Shaped Pianos.

A recent development in the shape of the upright pianoforte comes from a celebrated English maker, who has manufactured an elaborately-decorated upright grand of sharp-shaped design. Internally the pianoforte is made on the straight or parallel system stringing, and the tone when the instrument was completed proved to be unusually good. The lines of the design are very vigorous, but the carving being in low relief and the wood being toned down to a mellow tint, the general effect is peculiarly harmonious. The character of the decoration is regence, and the case work is of solid and well-figured oak. In the upper panels of the really beautiful instrument the meshwork is very slightly tinted, and a piece of old French brocade of the regence period, the background of which is of soft green shade, constitutes the lining of the panels.—St. Louis Republic.

A Disreputable Trait.

"Peter Jimson, I tell me your bicycle has been seen in front of Hooser's road house six times this week!" "It's mighty singular about that bike, my dear. I really can't account for it. It's just like that old horse we bought from Lusher. It's determined to stop at every saloon."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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